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In re application: **Ahrens et al.**

Serial No.: **09/779,365**

Filed: **February 8, 2001**

For: **Cache Thresholding Method,
Apparatus, and Program for
Predictive Reporting of Array Bit
Line or Driver Failures**

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